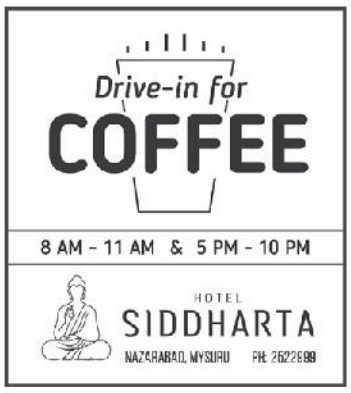

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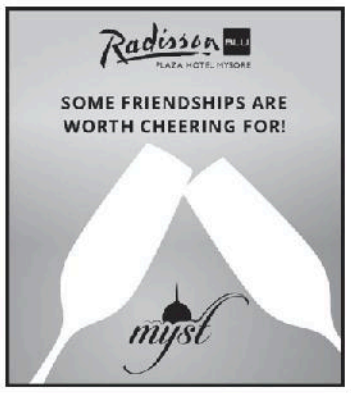


WALL COLLAPSE

'MCC starts citywide pruning of trees' [Turn to page 6]

Two roadside vendors escape with minor injuries as Olympia Talkies compound crashes

Passersby and fellow vendors rescuing the two roadside vendors, who were buried under debris this noon.

Mysuru, July 22 (MTY&KS)- Two roadside vendors narrowly escaped serious injuries when the old wall of Olympia Talkies, located in the heart of the city, collapsed this afternoon.

The injured vendors, Harman Pasha and Tabrez Pasha, have been admitted to K.R. Hospital.

Sources said that heavy rains had weakened the wall. Unaware of its deteriorating condition, the two vendors were conducting their usual business when the crumbling wall suddenly fell on them.

(See COLLAPSE on page 6)

Cauvery Aarati at KRS similar to *Ganga Aarati*

Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar revives idea of Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, accompanied by Mandya District Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy, seen at KRS Dam this morning.

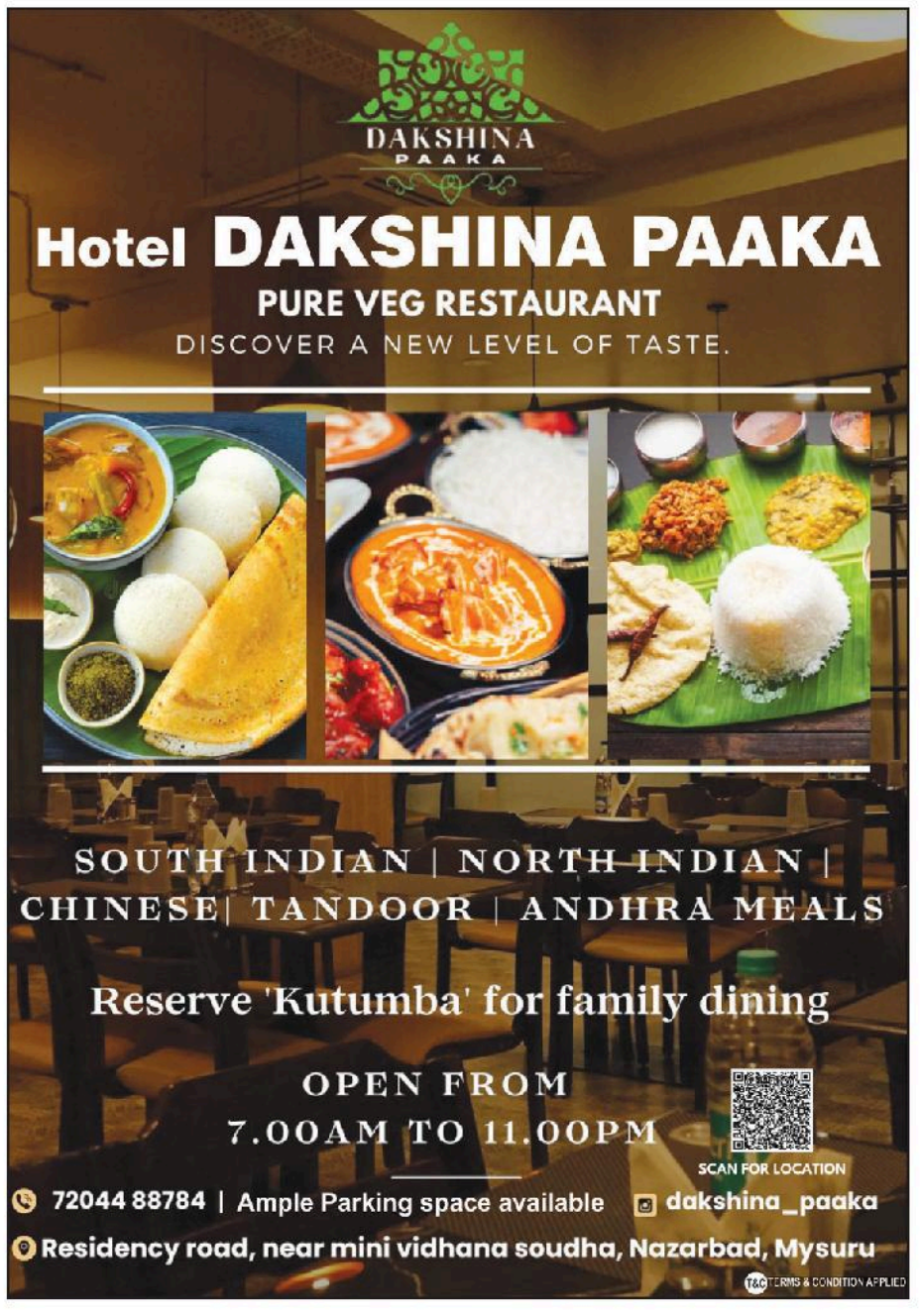
Mandya, July 22 (MR&BCT)- Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar (DKS), who also holds the Water Resources portfolio, announced that plans are being formulated to conduct 'Cauvery Aarati' at KRS in Mandya similar to the renowned 'Ganga Aarati' performed at the sacred site of Varanasi.

"Just as Ganga is the lifeline of the North, Cauvery is the lifeline of the South. We will initiate 'Cauvery Aarati' ritual akin to the one held in Varanasi," he told reporters at Royal Orchid Brindavan Garden Hotel here this morning.

The Deputy CM spoke to the media after inspecting Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam in Srirangapatna Taluk of Mandya district. This visit comes ahead of the proposed 'Bagina' ritual by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on July 27 (Saturday).

KRS Dam is inching towards its maximum capacity of 124.80 feet. The State Government is grandly planning the July 27 'Bagina' event, as last year the Chief Minister could not perform the traditional ritual as the Dam did not reach its maximum capacity due to drought conditions.

(See KRS on page 6)



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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 22nd July 2024

MCC invites applications under various schemes

Mysuru, July 22 (BS)- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has invited applications from eligible beneficiaries, under various schemes for the year 2023-24 and 2024-25.

Benefits will be extended to persons belonging to Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe and Pourakarmikas working at MCC, under 24.10 percent scheme and for the poor coming under Other Backward Classes (OBC) under 7.5 percent scheme.

The specially-abled will be provided individual benefits under 5 percent scheme. Applications are being distributed at all the Zonal Offices of MCC, for free. The eligible beneficiaries should directly submit the applications along with relevant documents before Aug. 19, 2024.

Documents to be submitted include Caste Certificate, Income Certificate, Voter ID/Ration Card, Domicile Certificate, Aadhaar and affidavit containing all details on stamp paper of Rs. 20 value, validated by the notary. In the case of specially-abled beneficiaries, they should submit disability certificate, khata for pucca houses (except Revenue site) and Encumbrance Certificate (EC).

For further details contact, MCC Zonal Office and Poverty Alleviation Section at MCC Main Office, stated a press release by MCC Commissioner.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DO GOOD AND GOOD WILL COME BACK TO YOU: ***Life is an echo; what you send out to life, to the world, to the universe comes back to you. When we do good, we call upon the kind universe and it responds. We weave a tapestry of positivity and love, the warmth of which reaches far and wide and eventually embraces us in its kind folds.***

A parable's exposition reinforces the notion that whatever we give to life, life gives it back to us manifolds. A late summer evening a farmer was working in his field with his old sick horse.

The farmer felt compassion for the horse and let his only horse loose in the mountains to live out its life without the burden of work. A few days later when the farmer was still trying to navigate his life without his horse the old horse came back rejuvenated after meandering in the mountainside and eating the free and wild grass that worked like medicine for him.

He did not come alone, twelve other nature renewed horses came along with him to the farmer. A good heart manifests goodness around it. Those who bring happiness and sunshine to others cannot but help bask in it themselves.

A former Principal and now a close friend is one of the kindest people I know.

A person of action rather than words, she is always helping others, fixing what needs to be fixed and wishing and doing the best she can. She has often held my hand during stormy times and has only left it when I am out of the troubled waters and into the halcyon sea. Just recently a tempest of the worst kind impacted her life as well. The life of her daughter was threatened by a dreadful disease. Even though she was brave and poised through this upheaval, I knew she was deeply troubled.

During this difficult time something more powerful than the storm held her hand. All the goodness she had sent out to others came back to her manifold. Good wishes and prayers and blessings and help poured in for her and her family. The universe responded with kindness and after months of hardship her daughter is well again and is moving ahead with her life. When you plant good seeds the harvest is always bountiful. *— Aditi Pant in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

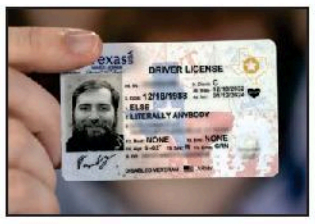
'Miracle dog' crawls out of its grave

Seoul: Hosun, a South Korean dog who suffered severe injuries and was thought to be dead after being hit by a truck, gained legendary status after crawling out of its grave.

Hosun the "miracle dog" was only a four-month-old puppy when she was hit by a truck close to his owners' home in the city of Yeongcheon and her injuries were so severe that a neighbour who found her on the side of the road thought her dead. The man buried Hosun in a shallow grave in a nearby field and delivered the bad news to her owners when they came home.

However, four days later, Hosun's owners heard an animal's wailing coming near their home and were shocked to find their beloved pet, terribly injured, but alive. However, he could not explain how the dog managed to crawl out of its grave.

Man named 'Literally Anybody Else' for President



Texas: A Texas man legally changed his name to 'Literally Anybody Else' to apply for a particularly difficult-to-get job: President of the United States.

The 35-year-old military veteran and middle school math teacher, formerly known as Dustin Ebey, said he is running for President to protest the current major-party candidates — President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump — and show his distaste for a system that his website states "often prioritises partisan battles over real solutions."

Else is running a campaign in Texas, where did he did not get the required 113,000 signatures to make it onto the ballot, and is expected to appear by name on the Tennessee ballot, where he said he did get the required amount of signatures.

Else announced Neal David Sutz, a New York man living in Switzerland, will be his running mate.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Simple way to avoid iron deficiency anemia is to eat food rich in iron like green leafy vegetables, broccoli, fruits, whole grains and red meat.

By Dr. Giripunja M. - Consultant - Haematology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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ACC Women's Asia Cup 2024

WOMEN'S ASIA CUP

TODAY'S MATCHES (JULY 22)

- **Sri Lanka** Vs **Malaysia** - 2 pm
- **Bangladesh** Vs **Thailand** - 7 pm

Venue: Rangiri Dambulla International Stadium

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

- **India 201/5 in 20 overs** BEAT **UAE 123/7 in 20 overs**
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Last year's level **91.24 feet**	Last year's level **2,272.90 feet**	Last year's level **2,853.11 feet**
Yesterday's level **122.70 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,281.23 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,854.42 feet**
Today's Inflow **60,016 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **25,885 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **7,281 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **52,020 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **17,375 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **4,000 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *A baby cheetah is called a cub.*
- *Cheetahs are carnivores, meaning they eat meat. Cheetahs hunt in the day time. They do not hunt daily and usually hunt once in 2 to 4 days.*
- *Cheetahs usually live 7 to 10 years in the wild. But they can live up to 16 years in captivity because they don't have to face predators or fight for food while in captivity.*
- *A cheetah has between 2,000 to 3,000 spots!*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

The preacher came along and wrote on the sign board: 'I pray for all.' The lawyer wrote underneath: 'I plead for all.' The doctor added: 'I prescribe for all.' The common man wrote: 'I PAY for all !'

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.66
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 108.08
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.78
1 Euro	= Rs. 91.07

VOICE OF THE READER

Potholes and craters on Nrupathunga Road

Sir,

Nrupathunga Road, the main arterial road linking Kuvempunagar to Vivekanandanagar, was dug up to lay sewage lines. However, the road has not been re-laid, causing immense discomfort to citizens.

This road is used daily by thousands of commuters, including school children and the sick in ambulances. The potholes and craters are deep and wide.

The rains have made the road even more dangerous as vehicles are now driving over footpaths to avoid the potholes, increasing the risk of accidents.

I request the authorities concerned to kindly re-lay the road as early as possible.

— **Murali Nair**
Kuvempunagar 20.7.2024

Cauvery Hospital gets NABH accreditation

Mysuru, July 22 (KS) - Cauvery Heart and Multispeciality Hospital, a renowned 200 bedded DNB accredited healthcare institution in Mysuru, has earned accreditation from **National Accreditation Board for Hospitals (NABH)** and Healthcare Providers.

This recognition underscores the hospital's commitment to providing high-quality healthcare services. NABH, a constituent board of Quality Council of India, is a globally recognised organisation that sets benchmarks for quality and safety in healthcare. The accreditation process involves rigorous assessment of the hospital's services, facilities and protocols. Achieving NABH accreditation indicates that Cauvery Hospital meets the standards set by the Board in areas such as patient care, operational management and continual improvement.

With NABH accreditation, patients can be assured of receiving treatment that adheres to the highest national and international standards. Cauvery Hospital has implemented advanced technologies and best practices to ensure patient safety and satisfaction. Plans are in place to expand services and incorporate more advanced medical technologies. The accreditation is a significant achievement for healthcare landscape in Mysuru, setting a high standard for other institutions. This milestone marks a new chapter in the hospital's journey towards healthcare excellence.

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Guru Purnima: 98-year-old yoga legend BNS Iyengar feted

On the auspicious occasion of Guru Purnima, Sachidananda Yoga Shala, Mysuru, had organised a felicitation programme to honour B.N. Sundar Raj (BNS) Iyengar, the 98-year-old living legend spreading the spiritual yoga journey for the past 80 years. The Indian and foreign students from Sachidananda Yoga Shala are seen with Iyengar.

Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji performs Guru Purnima pujas at Sri Ganapathy Ashram

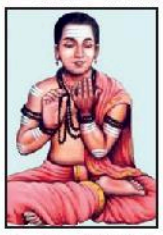
On the occasion of Guru Purnima, Guruparampara Puja, Chaitanyarchane and Vyasa Puja were performed by Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, the Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham, at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram on Nanjangud Road in city yesterday.

Sri Ganapathy Swamiji leads Gita Utsav at Illinois

SGS Gita Foundation and Krishna Datta Hanuman Temple had jointly organised 'Gita Utsav 2024' at NOW Arena in Illinois, near Chicago, from July 19 to 21 featuring Gita Talent Show, Music for Meditation Concert, Gita Parayana, Guru Purnima and Flute Performance. In his benedictory address, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham, Mysuru, who led the Utsav, said that SGS Gita Foundation, which has been training students to learn all 700 verses of Bhagavad Gita in 10 months, aims to train 1,00,000 students in coming days.

NEWS BRIEFS

Sri Hadapada Appanna Jayanti



District Administration, Mysuru and Department of Kannada & Culture, Mysuru, have organised Shivasharana Sri Hadapada Appanna Jayanti celebrations at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira premises at 10 am tomorrow (July 23). District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate. CM Siddaramaiah and Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy will be the guests of honour. MLA K. Harishgowda will preside. On the occasion, Vidu. S. Sangeetha and troupe, Mysuru, will present Vachana Gayana.

Retd. Cops Meet

Retired Police Officers Association, Jalapuri, will be holding its Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) for the year 2023-24 at 10 am tomorrow (July 23) at Police Bhavan in city. Mysuru City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar will be the chief guest. Association President M.C. Mariswamy (retd. Dy.SP) will preside.

Last date extended

JSS Polytechnic for Women, Mysuru, has extended the last date of admission to first semester vacant diploma seats for the year 2024-25 and also for the 3rd semester seats for students who have passed ITI and PUC (Science) up to July 25. Students who have passed SSLC and equivalent examination by scoring 35% marks can apply for first semester diploma course and students who have scored 35% marks in ITI and PUC (Science) examinations can gain admission to 2nd year course. For details contact Mob: 95916-50765 or 80502-16873.

CESC public contact programmes

Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) is organising its 4th trimester public contact programme for the year 2023-24 at N.R. Division limits. The programme will be held on July 23 at 11 am at N.R. Mohalla and at 3 pm at Jyothinagar Sub-division office. On July 25 the programme will be held at 11 am at Central Office and 3 pm at Chamundipuram Sub-division Office. On July 30, the last programme will be held at 11 am at Varuna Sub-division Office. CESC consumers can get solution to their problems, if any, at the public contact programme by submitting written applications, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, N.R. Mohalla.

Anganwadi workers demand hike in wages

AITUC State General Secretary D.A. Vijayabhaskar watering a sapling to mark the inauguration of Mysuru district convention of AITUC-affiliated Karnataka State Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Federation at Sri Rama Seva Ursu Mandali in K.R. Vanam, Mysuru, yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, July 22 (MTY&DM)- Anganwadi workers and Helpers have warned of a massive agitation if the Government fails to announce wage hike and pension upon retirement.

Addressing a Mysuru district convention of AITUC-affiliated Karnataka State Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Federation at Sri Rama Seva Ursu Mandali in K.R. Vanam here yesterday, AITUC State General Secretary D.A. Vijayabhaskar said that Anganwadi workers and helpers are getting a meagre salary which is not sufficient for a decent living. As such, the Government should hike the wages, he said adding that it would be inevitable to launch a massive agitation if the Government does not hike the wages.

Stating that the Federation had supported the Congress in the last Assembly polls, Vijayabhaskar said that, however, the Congress, upon coming to power, has remained silent on wage hike.

Noting that the Government recently announced wage hike to its employees as per the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission, he wanted to know why the Government was silent on the just demands of Anganwadi workers.

Demanding the Government to come up with a labour-friendly policy, he urged the Government to implement its 6th guarantee that was given to the working class ahead of the polls.

He reiterated that the Federation would garner support of construction and industrial workers and launch a massive agitation if the demands are not met.

The convention passed five resolutions which included strengthening of ICDC project, payment of Gratuity to all Anganwadi workers and helpers, who retired before Apr. 1, 2023, as per Gratuity Act, 1972, distribution of uniforms and textbooks to all children of Anganwadi centres and introduction of pension scheme.

Earlier, as part of the convention, Anganwadi workers and helpers took out a procession from CADA office premises on Sayyaji Rao Road to the venue.

The procession passed through Sayyaji Rao Road, Agrahara Circle, Siddappa Square, Nanjumalige Circle and Manandavadi Road before culminating at Sri Rama Seva Ursu Mandali.

Federation State President B. Amzad, District Convenor Jagannath, State General Secretary M. Jayamma, Office-bearers P.M. Sarojamma, Kantamma, Bhagya, Y. Mahadevamma, Puttamma, Girija, Suma, Chandramma, Bhuvaneshwari, Chandrika, AITUC office-bearers N.K. Devadas, K.G. Somaraje Urs, H.B. Ramakrishna and others were present.

Gram Panchayat employees' indefinite stir from July 23

Mysuru, July 22- Seeking fulfilment of their demands, Gram Panchayat (GP) employees, under the banner of Karnataka State Gram Panchayat Employees Association, will stage an indefinite stir at Freedom Park in Bengaluru from July 23.

Their demands include minimum wages of Rs. 31,000, consideration of Bill Collectors, Clerks, Data Entry Operators, Watermen and Sweepers serving in GPs as Government employees, minimum monthly pension of Rs. 6,000, payment of hospital bills and transfer facility, among others.

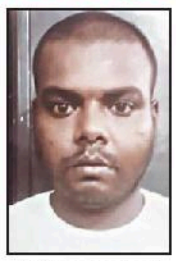
For details, contact Ph: 0821-2426082 or Mob: 94493-22900.

Lure of job: Mysuru girl sexually assaulted in Chennai

Truck driver, his woman accomplice arrested

Chennai, July 22- A woman is among two persons arrested on charges of sexually assaulting a girl from Mysuru on the pretext of getting her a job.

The incident took place in Chennai and those arrested are 32-year-old Satish Kumar of Vellore and his accomplice 33-year-old Shakhila of Madipakkam.



Satish Kumar

Shakhila

Both the accused were produced before a Court which remanded them to judicial custody. Sources said that the prime accused was working as a truck driver in Chennai.

Details: The girl, who was searching for a job had left her parents in Coimbatore and had come to Chennai in search of work.

She left her friend's place at Kovilambakkam and came to the bus stand to go to Mysuru during which a man introduced himself and assured her of getting her a job and even asked the girl to stay in his friend's house at Arumbakkam till she gets a job.

Believing him, the girl accompanied the man to the house in Arumbakkam.

As soon as the man and the girl entered the house, the man closed the door and allegedly assaulted the girl sexually. It is learnt that Shakhila (friend of the accused) was also present in the house when the incident took place.

Later, the girl somehow managed to call the Police emergency number and informed the Police about the incident.

Koyambedu Women Police Station's Inspector and staff, who responded immediately, raided the house and rescued the girl.

Based on the complaint from the victim, the Police, who have arrested the man and the woman, are investigating.

Farmers stage protest seeking fulfilment of demands

Mysuru, July 22 (MTY&DM)- Seeking fulfilment of their various demands, farmers, under the banner of Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (KRRS), staged a demonstration in front of the new Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Office on Bannur Road in Siddarthanagar here on Friday.

Urging the Government to withdraw the order asking farmers to pay the cost of power connection to Irrigation pump-sets, the farmers demanded stipulation of Minimum Support Price (MSP) for all agricultural produce, extension of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (Crop Insurance) to all crops, stoppage of loan recovery by banks, release of pending money by Insurance companies and payment of money for grains purchased by procurement centres, among others.

The other demands included issuance of Patta to farmers, scientific estimation of crop loss due to wild animal attacks, simplification of rules pertaining to felling and transportation of teak wood grown in farm lands and declaration of Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) for sugarcane.

KRRS State President Badagalapura Nagendra, Office-bearers Netravathi, Hosur Kumar, Hoskote Basavaraj, Prasanna N. Gowda, P. Marankaiah and others were present.

New Criminal Laws 2024 - An Overview

'Community service for minor offences a constructive reform'

Dr. A.R. Prakruthi, Advocate and Assistant Professor at Vidyavardhaka Law College, delivering the special lecture on 'New Criminal Laws 2024- An Overview' organised by PUCL at Shyagale Shivarudramma Trust's Shyagal House in Gokulam recently as others look on.

Mysuru, July 22 (MK&BCT)- The inclusion of community service as a form of punishment in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023 (BNS 2023) marks a progressive step towards a more balanced and rehabilitative criminal justice system in India, opined Dr. A.R. Prakruthi, Advocate and Assistant Professor at Vidyavardhaka Law College.

Delivering the special lecture on 'New Criminal Laws 2024 - An Overview' organised by PUCL (People's Union for Civil Liberties) at Shyagale Shivarudramma Trust's Shyagal House in Gokulam Second Stage recently, she said that by focusing on restorative justice, the BNS 2023 aims to create a system where offenders can make positive contributions to society.

It promotes their rehabilitation and reduces the burden on the prison system. This approach not only benefits the offenders but also the community at large, fostering a more inclusive and constructive approach to justice, Dr. Prakruthi said.

"Community service is a form of punishment that requires offenders to perform unpaid work for the benefit of the community as part of their sentence. Community service as a form of punishment has been introduced under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. This represents a shift towards restorative justice, emphasising rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders into society rather than purely punitive measures," she explained.

The amended law includes provisions for community service in cases such as attempted suicide, unlawful trade by public servants, minor theft, public intoxication and defamation.

Can contribute to society

"Offenders involved in minor offences can avoid traditional punishment by performing community service. Community service is designed to hold offenders accountable for their offensive acts, provide a means for offenders to contribute to society, reduce the burden on the prison system and promote rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders," she said.

However, all offences do not attract this type of punishment. Community service is typically reserved for minor offences, non-violent crimes and first-time offenders. This ensures that the punishment is proportionate to the crime. Judges have the discretion to impose community service based on the nature of the offence, the circumstances of the case and the background of the offender, she said.

Time limit for criminal proceedings

The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha (Second) Sanhita, which has replaced the Cr.PC, prescribes a time limit for the initiation of criminal proceedings, arrest, investigation, filing of charge-sheet and proceedings before the magistrate, which is aimed at speedy delivery of justice and a high conviction rate. The time-bound procedure has been added in 35 clauses of the law, Dr. Prakurthi said.

"The first information report (FIR) has to be registered within three days after receiving a complaint and in cases with seven to 14 years of imprisonment, the preliminary inquiry will have to be done within 14 days. The search and seizure report will have to be sent to court within 24 hours. "Earlier, there was no time limit for medical examination of rape victims, now the medical report will be submitted to the Court within seven days," she noted.

Also, chargesheets would have to be filed within 90 days. Magistrates would have to take cognisance within 14 days and the framing of charges should be done within 60 days from the date of the first hearing, she added.

Crimes against women and children

"Crimes against women and children have been given priority. The Bill proposes changes in the provisions related to rape of women below 18 years of age, made punishable by life imprisonment or death.

It makes gang rape of minor women consistent with POCSO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act). It proposes 20 years imprisonment or life imprisonment in all cases of gang rape. A new crime category of gang rape of a woman under 18 years of age has been added," she said.

The new criminal laws ensure targeted penalties for persons fraudulently engaging in sexual intercourse or promising to marry without true intention to marry.

PUCL District President Prof. K. Kalachannegowda, progressive thinkers N. Diwakar and Purushotham were present on the occasion.

A broad overview of new laws

The Bharatiya Nyaya (Second) Sanhita has 358 Sections, instead of 511 Sections in the IPC. As many as 20 new crimes have been added and imprisonment has been increased in 33 crimes.

The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha (Second) Sanhita has 531 clauses, in place of 484 clauses in the CrPC. A total of 177 provisions have changed, nine new clauses and 39 new sub-clauses have been added, and 44 new provisions and clarifications have been added. Fourteen clauses have been repealed.

The Bharatiya Sakshya (Second) has 170 Sections, instead of 167 Sections in the Indian Evidence Act. A total of 24 Sections have been changed. Two new Sections and six sub-sections have been added and six Sections repealed.

Land gifted to CM's wife invalid as it is ancestral asset: N. Mahesh

'As land was obtained without consent of all family members, they have a right to compensation'

Mysuru, July 22 (GA&BCT)- Former Minister N. Mahesh has stated that the land gifted to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's wife B.M. Parvathi by her brother Mallikarjunaswamy is an ancestral property and as such, Ninga, the original land-owner's family has a right for compensation.

Speaking at a press conference at Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday, he said, "The CM's family's name has figured in the MUDA 50:50 plot scam. The 3.16 acres of land in survey number 464 at Kesare, which is in the name of the CM's wife Parvathi now, was sold without the consent of other family members of Ninga, even though it is an ancestral property. Therefore, other family members should be compensated."

"If an ancestral property is sold to a third party, the consent of all family members is mandatory. In this case, however, the consent of Ninga's other family members has not been obtained and the family has every right to compensation," he said.

There is a misconception that the land was granted to Dalits — 'land grant' — but the fact is that the land was purchased at an auction by Ninga in 1935. He had three sons: Mallaiah, Mylaraiah, and Devaraju. Devaraju sold the land to Mallikarjuna Swamy, the brother of the CM's wife Parvathi, he said.

" Since it is ancestral property, the signatures and consent of the remaining brothers or their children were required for the sale. However, this was not done. They somehow managed to clear the rights of others and sold the land. The gift of land by Siddaramaiah's wife's brother is invalid," Mahesh noted.

"MUDA developed plots on that land in Kesare and following the 50:50 ratio scheme, it allotted 14 plots to CM's wife Parvathi. After the scam came to light, the CM issued a statement saying he did not want the plots but instead demanded compensation as per the current land value, which is Rs. 62 crore. If the CM demands Rs. 62 crore, what about the rights of Ninga's other family members," the former Minister asked.

He insisted that the original landowners should also receive a share of the compensation. "There was confusion in the original sale itself, and we have gathered information after meeting with some members of the original family. They were unaware that the land had been sold. A petition has been submitted to the Deputy Commissioner by the family members, demanding justice," he said.

Present at the press conference were President of State BJP OBC Morcha Raghu Kautilya, MLA T.S. Srivatsa, former MLA Balaraj, former Deputy Mayor Shailendra and former Corporator Ashwini Sharath.

Call for Rohini Sindhuri-led MUDA scam investigation

Rohini Sindhuri

Mysuru July 22 (BCT)- Amidst growing concerns over the integrity and transparency of the operations of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), Syed Farooq, Secretary of KPCC Minorities Division, has urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to establish an investigative committee under the leadership of IAS Officer Rohini Sindhuri to uncover the truth behind the alleged scam.

In a press release, he emphasised the need for a thorough investigation to bring to light the irregularities that have plagued MUDA. He stated, "Some individuals are misusing the Right To Information Act with the intent of tarnishing the reputation of CM Siddaramaiah, who has been providing a stable governance. These allegations are an attempt to shift the blame for their corrupt practices onto the Congress party."

Rohini Sindhuri, who previously served as Mysuru Deputy Commissioner during BJP administration, had raised concerns about malpractices within MUDA. He pointed out that an investigative committee led by Sindhuri would be instrumental in uncovering the misdeeds committed by BJP and JD(S) within MUDA.

"The investigation should include all types of plots, including those distributed on a 50:50 ratio, to ensure a comprehensive inquiry," Farooq added.

MCC starts citywide pruning of trees

A worker of MCC's Abhaya team seen pruning a tree near the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city this morning.

A girl walks past the huge broken and hanging tree branch on SJCE Road.

Mysuru, July 22 (MTY&KS)- Following public complaints about dangerously hanging tree branches and weakened, dried-out branches that could fall on unsuspecting motorists, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has commenced a citywide pruning operation this morning.

The MCC's actions come in response to the tragic death of Reginald Platel (67), a resident of Roopanagar in February this year. On the morning of Feb. 6, Platel was riding his scooter on the road from Kukkarahalli Lake towards Bogadi, passing Crawford Hall, when a large branch from a peepal tree in front of 'Chandravana,' the Government Ayurveda Farm near the Government Press in Saraswathipuram, fell on him.

Today's pruning operation was taken up to avoid further loss of human lives. Three Abhaya teams and one team from the MCC's Horticulture Division, equipped with ropes, mechanical saws, cutters, hooks and other pruning tools, have begun the pruning work.

They are being assisted by the staff from the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC). Although the MCC is required to inform the CESC at least a day in advance before commencing pruning, the CESC staff is cooperating by switching off power lines upon request to facilitate the operation, which is being prioritised to ensure public safety during monsoon season.

MCC is prioritising complaints received at its Control Room, as well as those submitted to the MCC Commissioner and MCC Assistant Commissioners. MCC staff are also inspecting nearby trees for potentially hazardous branches and pruning them as a precautionary measure.

MCC teams were seen pruning branches on roads near the Institution of Engineers, the old DC Office, Bogadi, Kuvempunagar, Saraswathipuram, Bannimantap and other locations from where complaints were received.

A huge tree branch that had broken and hanging on SJCE Road a few days ago, however, has not been removed till 1.30 pm today.

While tree pruning is a regular MCC activity, the operation is now being expedited due to heavy rains, which have caused many branches to become water-logged and break under their weight. With gusty winds posing further risks, the MCC will continue the pruning operations daily to ensure public safety.

Cauvery Aarati at KRS

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"A team comprising local MLAs from Mandya and Kodagu districts, along with officials from the Hindu Religious Institutions & Charitable Endowments Department, will be formed to initiate the 'Cauvery Aarati.' Officers have been instructed to submit a report within a month," Shivakumar said.

Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park

Shivakumar has revived the proposal for a Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park, a plan that had previously faced significant public criticism and opposition from farmers and environmental groups. During his earlier tenure as Water Resources Minister, Shivakumar had unveiled ambitious plans for an amusement park at the KRS Dam.

"Details of the latest plan will be announced in the future. There is no need to panic. Criticism and attempts to obstruct progress are common in politics, as we have seen in the past. No one will be displaced. We will expand the roads and take all necessary measures to ensure the safety of the Dam while also attracting visitors to the Amusement Park," Shivakumar said.

The technical report for upgrading and revitalising the Brindavan Gardens at KRS has already been obtained. The Amusement Park will be developed through a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model by calling tenders. This project is expected to generate employment for around 8,000 to 10,000 local people, he added.

Agriculture and Mandya District Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy, MLAs Ramesh Babu Bandisiddegowda, K.M. Uday, Darshan Puttannaiah, MLC Dinesh Gooligowda, MySugar Chairman C.D. Gangadhar, Additional Chief Secretary Gaurav Gupta, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Kumara, Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited Managing Director Mahesh, Superintending Engineer Raghuram and others were present.

Wall collapse

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Fortunately, other vendors and passersby rushed to help, rescuing them and shifting them to K.R. Hospital. Both vendors sustained only minor injuries.

A new wall is currently being constructed because the old wall, made of bricks and mud, has become unstable.

The Olympia Talkies management had planned to demolish the old wall once the new one was completed. However, the old wall collapsed unexpectedly this afternoon, injuring the two vendors.

Further details are awaited.

45th outlet of Mahalakshmi Sweets at N.R. Mohalla

Shree Mahalakshmi Sweets, city's well-known sweetmeat shop with many outlets across the city and other places, opened its 45th outlet at N.R. Mohalla in Mysuru on July 19. Mahalakshmi Sweets Chairman Shivakumar performed puja and inaugurated the outlet in the presence of Managing Director Nithin Shivakumar and staff.

Centre lifts 58-year ban on Govt. officials joining RSS

New Delhi, July 22 (Agencies)- The Centre today has lifted a long-standing ban on Government employees participating in activities organised by the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

The order stated, "It has been decided to remove the mention of Rashtriya Swayam Sewak Sangh (R.S.S.S) from the impugned notification dated 30.11.1966, 25.07.1970 and 28.10.1980."

According to Amit Malviya, the head of the BJP's IT cell, the ban was initially implemented in response to a massive anti-cow slaughter protest at the Parliament on Nov. 7, 1966, which the RSS and Jana Sangh supported.

"The unconstitutional order issued 58 years ago, in 1966, imposing a ban on Govt employees taking part in the activities of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh has been withdrawn by the Modi government. The original order shouldn't have been passed in the first place. The ban was imposed because, on Nov. 7, 1966, there was a massive anti-cow-slaughter protest at the Parliament. RSS-Jana Sangh mobilised support in lakhs. Many died in police firing," Malviya said in a post on X.

"On Nov. 30, 1966, shaken by the RSS-Jana Sangh clout, Indira Gandhi banned government staff from joining the RSS," he added.

Union Budget 2024-2025 tomorrow at 11 am

New Delhi, July 22 (Agencies)- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is set to present her seventh Union Budget tomorrow, July 23 at 11 am, as the Monsoon Session of Parliament began this morning.

Nirmala Sitharaman

With this, she becomes the first Finance Minister to present seven consecutive budgets, surpassing Morarji Desai's record of six. Desai served as Finance Minister from 1959 to 1964 and presented five full budgets and one interim budget.

Budget 2024 will be delivered in paperless form, similar to previous full Union Budgets. This will be the first Budget of the newly elected NDA Government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

An Interim Union Budget for 2024 was presented on Feb. 1 in the run-up to the general elections. The Finance Ministry has concluded several rounds of deliberations with various economic stakeholders as part of budget preparations.

This morning, Nirmala Sitharaman tabled the Economic Survey of India 2023-24, along with a statistical appendix, in both Houses of Parliament. The budget for the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir for 2024 will also be presented tomorrow.

The Economic Survey is an official report card on the government's financial performance and the state of the economy during the year ending Mar. 31. It also provides an outlook on future policy changes. It is usually released by the Ministry of Finance a day before the Union Budget is tabled.

Works on filling up sinkhole to be complete by tomorrow

Sinkhole repair works under progress by NHAI authorities this morning.

Mysuru, July 22 (RK&DM)- The works on the filling up of the sinkhole that suddenly surfaced on Srirampura-Somanathanagar-Dattagalli stretch of the Ring Road (Manandavadi Road) late on Friday night, is expected to be complete by tomorrow evening.

Following the incident, which came to notice early on Saturday morning after passersby alerted the Police and other authorities concerned, traffic on that side of the Ring Road was halted. The K.R. Traffic Police had barricaded the spot and installed warning signboards, besides deploying a Home Guard to alert the motorists.

Upon receiving information on Saturday about the sinkhole, the size of which was comparable to that of a crater, the officials of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) under which the road comes, rushed to the spot and carried out a thorough inspection for ascertaining the cause of the sudden appearance of sinkhole on the busy Road. Later, they launched works for filling up the sinkhole in appropriate manner and this work is expected to be complete by tomorrow evening.

Paes and Amritraj inducted into International Tennis Hall of Fame

Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj

Newport, July 22 (Agencies)- Former Indian tennis players Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj became the first Asian men to be inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame.

While Paes was inducted under the player category, Amritraj made it into the coveted club under the contributor category.

The induction event also witnessed several other Hall of Famers on stage, including Paes' former mixed-doubles partner Martina Navratilova. They were joined by other former Grand Slam champions in Andre Agassi, Chris Evert, Stan Smith and International Tennis Hall of Fame Honourary President Kim Clijsters.

Leander Paes, the only Indian to win an Olympics medal in tennis, represented India for three decades before retiring in 2021. The 51-year-old, who spent around 462 weeks inside the top 10 of the ATP rankings, is widely regarded as one of the greatest doubles players of all time. Paes has won 18 Grand Slam titles — eight in men's doubles and 10 in mixed doubles. He is one of only three men in tennis history to achieve career Grand Slams in both men's and mixed doubles.

Amritraj, 70, played from 1970 until retiring in 1993, winning 15 ATP singles titles and 399 matches and being ranked as high as 18th in the world and helped India to the Davis Cup finals in 1974 and 1987. After his playing days, Amritraj has helped humanitarian causes, backed ATP and WTA events in India and has acted in the *James Bond* and *Star Trek* movie series.

Man goes missing from city

Dayanand

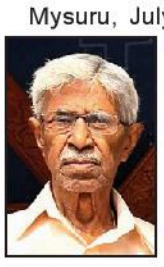
Mysuru, July 22 (KS)- A 51-year-old man has gone missing since July 12 from city. The missing man is Dayanand, a resident of Bogadi 2nd Stage in city.

He is 5.5 ft. tall, round faced, normal built, speaks Kannada and was wearing a yellow coloured shirt and pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing man may contact Saraswathipuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418323/123 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Obituary

Frank Leo



Mysuru, July 22- Frank Leo (80), a resident of No.16, 'Vikroli,' 2nd Main, 8th Cross, KEB Colony in Udayagiri, passed away yesterday in city. He had served as the General Secretary of KCA Mysuru.

He leaves behind his wife Rosy Rodrigues, children Vikas & Vilas Frank and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral mass will be held tomorrow (July 23) at 10 am in St. Mother Theresa' Church at Rajivnagar, followed by the burial at the Roman Catholic Cemetery in Rammanahalli, according to family sources.

B. Shivanna

B. Shivanna (93), a resident of K.G. Koppal, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Vishalakshamma, son Chandrashekar, daughter Usha and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds this morning, according to family sources.

'The Monarch of Mysore'

An exhaustive source of information related to Nalwadi

By Gouri Satya
Sr. Journalist

Gouri Satya

The Monarch of Mysore' is a biography of Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV, who lives in the memory of all Mysureans for his contribution towards the development of the State during his nearly four decades of reign from 1902 till his death in 1940.

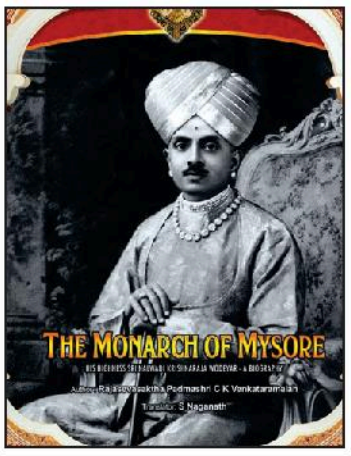
The biography is an English version of the popular Kannada book, *'Aalida Mahaswamiyavaru'* by C. K. Venkataramaiah, a scholar in Kannada and Sanskrit and Chief Translator of the Mysore Government, who was honoured with the title 'Rajasevasakta' by Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar.

The translator is Prof. S. Naganath, former Professor of English at National College, Bangalore and son of renowned scholar and historian Dr. S. Srikanta Sastri, former Professor and Head, Department of History, University of Mysore.

C.K. Venkataramaiah published his work in 1941 soon after the death of the Maharaja on August 3, 1940, and when the last Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar had succeeded to the throne. The author has dedicated his work to him. Venkataramaiah regrets he could not present the biographical work to the Maharaja or the Yuvaraja who had pre-deceased Nalwadi on March 11, 1940. The Kannada work is hailed as an authentic official biography as he wrote it after having obtained permission from Nalwadi. What makes it more interesting is the numerous authentic anecdotes related to the Maharaja.

Venkataramaiah sees his hero with great admiration throughout his narrative. He praises him all through as a pious and saintly king and as Prof. Naganath says, "Venkataramaiah does not find any flaws or shortcomings in his hero." Here, the Professor reminds us of the words of 19th-century British historian and philosopher Thomas Carlyle that "Great men should rule and others should serve them." His words sum up Venkataramaiah's approach to his hero, who is hailed as Raja Rishi.

Venkataramaiah also does not provide us with any information about the private life of Nalwadi or the Yuvaraja. "There is no information on the relationship between the Maharaja and Maharani Pratap Kumari Devi, who were married for forty years." This is what a reader misses in this biographical book.



Title: The Monarch of Mysore
Author: C.K. Venkataramaiah
Translator: S. Naganath
Year: 2024
Pages: 580
Price: Rs. 1,000
Publisher: Notion Press, Chennai

In his Foreword, Sir Mirza Ismail, Dewan of Mysore, describes Venkataramaiah's book as "a very worthy biography of our noble ruler." His book, he says, "is also of special value as affording an intimate glimpse into the life of a great man and his real personality." This applies to the translated work of Prof. Naganath.

After Sir Mirza's Ismail's foreword, there is a prologue written by Venkataramaiah and 14 chapters into which the life and administration of Nalwadi are divided. He concludes his work after referring to Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar in the last and 15th chapter. These chapters spread over about 610 pages. About 84 rare black-and-white photos related to Nalwadi have enhanced the value of the book, *'Aalida Mahaswamiyavaru.'* The book has seen many reprints. However, my effort to obtain a copy of it has not been successful so far.

Similar to C.K. Venkataramaiah's work, Prof. Naganath's translated work covers 587 pages with the same pictures of Nalwadi reproduced in the original form. Besides the English version of the 15 original chapters, Prof. Naganath's book covers the biography of the original author ('The Biographer's biography') with his picture, and also those of Maharaja Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, his brother Yuvaraja Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar, nephew Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, and Dewan Mirza Ismail.

The book also includes a 'Navaratnamala' in Sanskrit by Vidwan Motaganahalli Mahadeva Sastry, a renowned scholar of the period of Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar and the great-grandfather of the translator. The Navaratnamala was read before the Maharaja during the silver jubilee function in Bangalore in September 1927 and its summary in English is also provided.

In addition to these, Prof. Naganath writes about what prompted him to translate Venkataramaiah's book into English. He says, "When I first read *Aalida Mahaswamiyavaru* what struck me was that the modern day left historians had completely ignored the contributions of the rulers of the Wadiyars' dynasty in the making of modern Mysore." The rulers he refers to are Maharaja Chamarajendra Wadiyar, Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar, and Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, and also Regent Vanivilasa Sannidhana (Regin: 1895-1902), a total period of 82 years.

Many of these historians give credit to the Dewans for the modernisation of Mysore State, he regrets and adds, "Let us not forget that the rulers' vision, dreams, and the will to implement big projects for the benefit of the common man alone were responsible for the far-reaching changes that miraculously took place in Mysore State."

Translation of a work from one language to the other is always a difficult job. It is not easy to find appropriate words and hence falls short of the original work. The translated work misses the grip and flavour of the original. This is true in this case also. The translator admits this fact when he says that he has endeavoured to remain faithful to the original Kannada version of the biography. But that does not mean *'The Monarch of Mysore'* is in any way inferior to C. K. Venkataramaiah's *'Aalida Mahaswamiyaru.'* It is indeed an exhaustive source of information related to the renowned ruler of Mysore, Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar. For one who does not find a copy of *'Aalida Mahaswamiyavaru'* or does not know Kannada and still wants to know about the King of Mysuru, his personality, his grace and kindness, this is the work for all of them ▪

Mysuru shooters excel in State-level Competition

Mysuru, July 22 (VNS)- Two shooters, representing Mysore Shooting Club (Bannimantap, Mysuru), in the 12th Karnataka State Shooting Competition organised by Karnataka State Rifle Association at SAI Shooting Range, won three individual medals in .22 peep Sight 50m Firearms category.

M.S. Punya won silver and bronze medals while **P. Varshini** secured bronze medal.

The other Mysore Shooting Club members, who took part in the competition, include Tanay Chandra, Nanditha Chandra, Kavya, Chethana Obu Lakshmi and para shooter B.R. Darshan.

The shooters are trained under national shooter and coach Ravichandra Balehosuru.

Gold winners in Karate

The students of Acharya Vidya Kula — Anvay G. Achar (VIII std.), Vanshika Kiran Panchangam (VII std.) and Abhigna Kiran Panchangam (VI std.) — have won Gold Medal in the Regional-level Karate Championship conducted by CISCE at Bangalore recently. They have been qualified to participate in the National-level Karate Championship to be held later this year.

Bhushans perform at Lit Fest

Mysuru, July 22- Bharatanatyam artiste couple dancers Badari Divya Bhushan, Dr. Anjana Bhushan, along with their sons — Abhyuday Dhyan Bhushan and Abhignan Vedant Bhushan — captivated the audience at the 8th edition of Mysuru Literature Festival. They presented their acclaimed musical Dance Theatrical 'Ramabhyudayam.'

The team mesmerised the audience with their intricate stories woven well from 'Ramayana' presented in the ballet.

Performed for a full house on Sunday at the Mysore Literature Festival, 'Ramabhyudayam' received a wonderful response again.

'Hunt' for Talents

Mysuru, July 22 (VNS)- The second leg of Mysore Warriors Talent Hunt was held at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri here this morning. As many as 200 budding cricketers, including 50 spinners, 55 medium pacers, 40 all-rounders, 15 wicket keepers and 40 batters, from Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar, took part in the selection process.

The selection process was conducted under the watchful eyes of Mysore Warriors Assistant Coach Vijay Madyalkar, Bowling Coach Aditya B. Sagar and Team Manager M.R. Suresh. The selected players from both the legs (Bengaluru and Mysuru) will be part of Mysore Warriors camp for a complete assessment before two players are officially drafted into the team.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Mysore Warriors Team Manager said, "The talent hunt was an opportunity for cricket players from mofussil centres to showcase their talent and Mysore Warriors can select as many players and add them to the list of players who will go under the hammer during the auction for this year's KSCA Maharaja Trophy and can be picked by the other teams."

This is also an opportunity for the talent scouts belonging to other teams identify players who could be a part of their teams during the auction process, he said.

Meanwhile, Mysore Warriors Team Owner and Cycle Pure Agarbatti Managing Director Arun Ranga said, "At N.R. Group, we are committed to nurturing young cricket enthusiasts by providing them a platform to showcase their talents and represent the State. Today, we witnessed their exceptional skills and are ecstatic to see the budding players contribute to the success of bringing the Mysore Warrior team."

It may be noted that the first leg of Mysore Warriors Talent Hunt was held at Just Cricket Academy in Bengaluru on July 12. This year's KSCA Maharaja Trophy will be held at Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru from Aug. 15 to Sept. 1. A total of six teams — Mysore Warriors, Hubballi Tigers, Bangalore Blasters, Mangalore Dragons, Gulbarga Mystics and Shivamogga Lions — will be vying for the coveted trophy.

Mysore Warriors, which ended up being the runners-up in the last season, will be eyeing to get their hands on trophy this season. Mysore Warriors have retained skipper Karun Nair, all-rounder C.A. Karthik, talented S.U. Karthik and all-rounder Manoj Bhandage for the current season.

The auction for this year's tournament will be held on July 25 in Bengaluru.

Cricketers being briefed by representatives of Mysore Warriors prior to the commencement of Talent Hunt at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri, Mysuru, this morning.

A budding cricketer showcasing his bowling skills during the Talent Hunt.

Super Series Tennis Tournament

Double delight for Padmapriya

Padmapriya Ramesh Kumar

Mysuru, July 22 (MTY&VNS)- City's budding tennis player Padmapriya Ramesh Kumar displayed her exceptional skills at the Super Series Tennis Tournament, organised by All Assam Tennis Association, in Guwahati recently, to emerge winner in the U-14 girls doubles and runner-up in the U-12 singles.

In U-14 girls' doubles category, Padmapriya, partnering with Kushi Khadian (Haryana), defeated the pair of Serena Gehlot (Haryana) and Nayeem Hussain (Assam) 6-3, 6-1 straight sets to emerge as the winners.

Meanwhile in the U-12 girls' singles, Padmapriya lost to Serena Gehlot 6-1, 6-1 in straight sets to end up in the second place. In the singles semi-finals, Padmapriya had defeated Esheti Sriyala of Andhra Pradesh 6-1, 6-0.

Padmapriya Ramesh Kumar is currently studying in the 7th standard at Excel Public School in Mysuru. She is the daughter of Dr. Malathi Priya, Conservator of Forests, Mysuru Circle and Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar, Conservator of Forests (Project Tiger).

Mysuru Zone U-23 men's team announced

Mysuru, July 22 (VNS)- The following players have been selected to represent the Mysuru Zone in the U-23 S.A. Srinivasan Trophy organised by Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) in Bengaluru:

Kruthik Krishna **(Captain)**, K.S. Lankesh **(Vice-Captain)**, Likith S. Siddaraju Gowda, S.U. Karthik, C.S. Aryan Kaveriappa, L. Manvanth Kumar, M.R. Jayanth, Gourav Keshava, Abhinoam G. Jacob, S. Ishaan, A. Abhay Rangan, Bhuvanesh P. Nayak, Medhansh Mahesh Urs, J. Mahendra Kumar and Yashwanth Patel **(Wicket-Keeper)**.

Standby players: B.C. Rohan, C. Ritheesh, Nikash Narendra Palaram, Prajwal Venkatesha and M. Rakshith Gowda. **Coach:** Sampreeth R. Shetty, **Manager:** Sharath Babu.

WORD OF THE DAY

Visage

Pronunciation: VIZ-ij (Noun)
Meaning: Visage is a formal word that refers to someone's face or facial expression, or to the general appearance of something.
Origin: In "Ozymandias," Percy Bysshe Shelley's famous poem, a traveller tells of a colossal statue's "shattered visage" lying half sunk in desert sands, going on to describe its "frown / And wrinkled lip, and sneer of cold command..." Now, Shelley could have simply chosen face over the more highfalutin synonym visage, but not only would face shatter the sonnet's iambic pentameter, but a formal-sounding word is sometimes preferable to a basic one for all kinds of reasons, including sound, tone, or simply the cut of its jib. Physiognomy, for instance, refers to facial features thought to reveal qualities of temperament or character, as when Emily Brontë writes in Wuthering Heights, "I thought I could detect in his physiognomy a mind owning better qualities than his father ever possessed." Countenance, meanwhile, is often used to refer to the face as an indication of mood or emotion, as in Bram Stoker's Dracula: "Mina struggled hard to keep her brave countenance." As all of these quotes attest, when it comes to wordsmithery, sometimes you've just got to vamp.
Example: "[Keri] Russell was 22 when she was cast in the title role of Felicity. At the beginning of the series, her character was 17 years old, but thanks to Russell's preternaturally youthful visage (and that glorious head of hair!), she pulled it off believably." — Jessica Sager, Parade, 7 Jan. 2024

THE ODD WORD

Kibitzer

A giver of uninvited or unwanted advice.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Tongue-in-Cheek

Meaning: The phrase 'Tongue-in-Cheek' is used to imply that a statement is not seriously intended.
Origin: To put one's tongue into one's cheek was formerly a nonverbal method of expressing contempt. By 1842, the expression as well as the phrase acquired their contemporary meaning, indicating that a statement should not be taken seriously.
Example: "After waiting in line for thirty minutes, I failed to appreciate the clerk's tongue-in-cheek comment regarding bothersome customers."

QUOTE BOX

Less is only more where more is no good. **—Frank Lloyd Wright**

RIDDLE THIS

I am an odd number. Take away a letter and I become even. What number am I?

Answer: Seven.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Seed case of an apple
5 A thick, dark oily liquid
8 Scandinavian capital
12 _ __ of roses : a pleasant and luxurious existence? (1,3)
13 Pitcherful maybe
14 Ex-England wicket keeper Knott
15 Bishop of Rome
16 Opacity of eye lenses
18 Shoe box letters
19 Docks
20 Bout ender: abbr.
21 Adjoin
23 Estimated time of arrival, in short
25 Old Nick
27 Coiffure
31 Quarry
32 Staying power or pluck
33 Apparel
34 Gymnast
36 The little love god
37 It holds the ashes
38 Popular fertilizer
39 Asian honorific
42 Anguish or torment
44 Op. __
47 Paper for brides
49 Prima donna
50 Until now (2,2)
51 Spanish gold
52 Surmounting
53 Former Israeli P.M.
54 Neb. neighbor
55 Cattle shed

DOWN
1 A coastal feature
2 Reed instrument
3 A pistol or revolver which can fire many rounds in quick succession
4 Dutch commune
5 Understood
6 Wings or winglike parts
7 Draw back
8 Rowing device
9 Blinds crosspiece
10 Want or need
11 I am _ _ it : I am aware of it? (2,2)
17 An Italian wine
19 Play on words
22 Marshy tributary
24 Quarrel
25 Mineral spring
26 Curve
27 Primitive abode
28 Capability to perform or produce
29 Mentalist Geller
30 To Be Determined
32 Capital of Sikkim
35 A Scottish hillside
36 Weep
38 Alliance
39 Floating impurities
40 Stout cord
41 Former currency of Peru
43 Other abroad
45 A Welsh boy's name
46 Record
48 Pro
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YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

T	O	L	D	■	W	A	R	■	A	M	I	D
T	H	A	R	■	I	L	A	■	R	A	N	A
S	M	O	U	L	D	E	R	■	I	L	K	S
■	■	■	D	Y	E	■	A	F	E	A	S	T
A	D	A	G	E	■	T	A	L	L	Y	■	■
M	O	U	E	■	A	R	V	O	■	A	S	K
R	C	B	■	C	R	A	I	G	■	L	I	E
E	K	E	■	I	R	I	S	■	L	A	Z	Y
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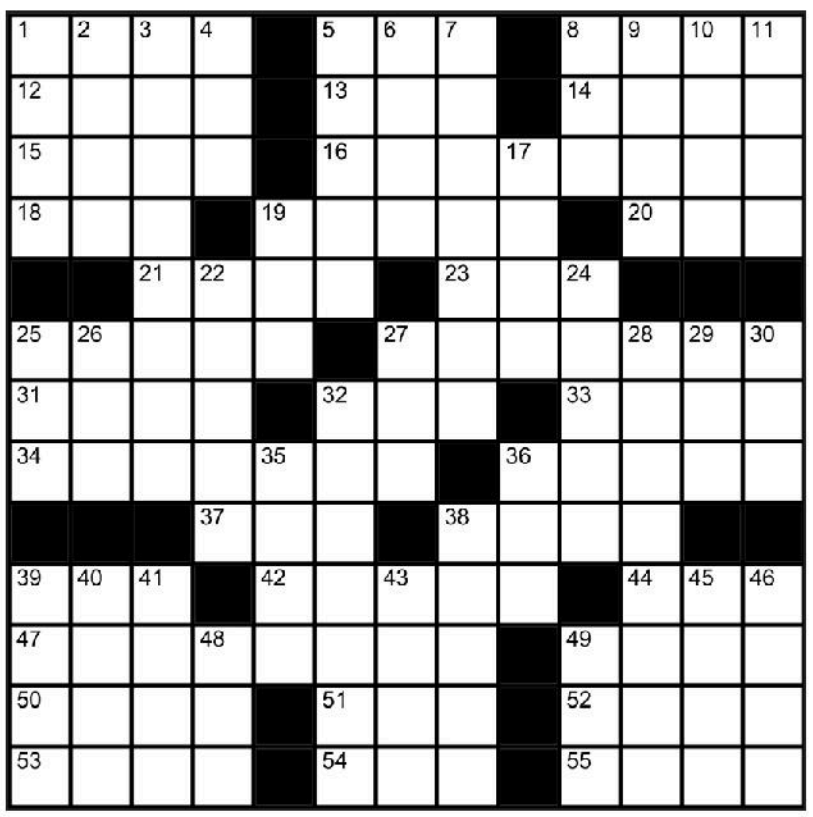

SUDOKU

	6	5				2	8	
2			7		8			9
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	7		5		6		9	
5								4
	4		2		1		5	
				3				
6			9		4			5
	1	9				7	3	

Answer to previous puzzle

5	8	4	1	3	9	7	2	6
2	6	1	5	7	4	3	9	8
3	7	9	2	8	6	5	1	4
7	4	3	8	9	1	6	5	2
1	9	6	3	2	5	4	8	7
8	5	2	6	4	7	9	3	1
9	1	7	4	5	2	8	6	3
4	2	8	9	6	3	1	7	5
6	3	5	7	1	8	2	4	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PT RHW UWQ L DNLPE LVHWEI QNJ EJDY HT L COLFJ,

QNJ HQNJV JEI TLCQJEC PQCJOT LVHWEI RHW HXE.

TODAY'S CLUE: R EQUALS Y

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Many an opportunity is lost because a man is out looking for four-leaf clovers.

Guru Purnima lecture and Moonlight Music held

Senior journalist A.R. Raghuram delivering a lecture at Suttur Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill in city last evening as part of Guru Purnima which coincided with the Monthly Moonlight Music Programme of the Mutt. Vidu. Harini Ramesh presented vocal concert on the occasion accompanied by Vid. Keshava Mohan Kumar on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Hejjaru (K) - 2 Shows; *Indian 2 (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Indian 2 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Not Out (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Indian 2 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 9886325207**
  Kill (H) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Not Out (K) - 2 Shows; *Hiranya (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Twisters (E) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Kalki 2898 AD (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Shastri (K) 4 Shows

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	(S-4)	7 pm, 9.55 pm
Accident or Conspiracy Godhra (H)	(S-1)	3.45 pm; (S-2) 7.05 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	(S-1)	6.45 pm; (S-3) 1 pm
Darling Why This Kolavari (Te)	(S-1)	10.10 pm
Twisters (E)	(S-2)	10.30 am; (S-3) 7.25 pm, 10 pm
Hejjaru (K)	(S-2)	1.10 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	(S-2)	3.40 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	(S-2)	10.05 pm
Not Out 2024 (K)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	(S-4)	10.55 am
Back Benchers (K)	(S-4)	1 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	(S-4)	3.30 pm

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Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	6.30 pm
Kadaloora Kanmani (K)	:	1.15 pm
Love Li (K)	:	1.25 pm
Back Benchers (K)	:	1.40 pm
Hejjaru (K)	:	4.05 pm
Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K)	:	4.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Ameena (H)	:	4.30 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	4.35 pm, 7.50 pm

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Twisters (E)	:	10.30 am, 1.15 pm, 4 pm, 9.30 pm
Twisters (H)	:	6.45 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	:	10.45 am
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	2.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	6.05 pm
Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K)	:	11.40 am
Kill (H)	:	11.55 am
Not Out (K)	:	12.15 pm
Spy X Family (Japanese)	:	2.20 pm
Back Bencherz (K)	:	3 pm
Darling (Te)	:	3.05 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	4.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Sarfira (H)	:	5.45 pm
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Immaculate (E)	:	8.20 pm
Hejjaru (K)	:	9 pm

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Twisters (E)	:	10.05 am, 12.50 pm, 7.15 pm, 10 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	11.30 am, 3.35 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	3.10 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	6.50 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te)	:	10.30 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	12.50 pm
Despicable Me 4 (E)	:	4.30 pm
Hiranya (K)	:	6.45 pm
Indian 2 (Te)	:	9.45 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 22)

- **Vismaya Book House:** Releasing of books 'Abhivyakta Sampada' authored by Sathanuru Devaraju and 'Kaadu Mallige' authored by Dr. B. Basavaraju; Former Kannada Sahitya Academy Chairman Prof. Aravinda Malagatti releases the books, retd. Professor and writer Prof. C. Naganna presides, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 23)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana to Sri Rajarajeswari Devi, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **District Administration, Mysuru and Department of Kannada & Culture, Mysuru:** Shivasharana Sri Hadapada Appanna Jayanti celebrations, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, CM Siddaramaiah and Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy guests of honour, MLA K. Harishgowda presides; Vachana Gayana by Vidu. S. Sangeetha and troupe, Mysuru, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira premises, **10 am.**
- **Department of School Education (Pre-University), Mysuru and District History Forum, Mysuru:** 'Hitihasa Sambhrama,' releasing of handbook for I PUC students by Maharaja PU College Principal N. Udayashankar, Pratibha Puraskar and Felicitation Ceremony, Department of School Education (Pre-University)-Mysuru Dy. Director M. Mariswamy presides, special lecture by orator Prof. M. Krishnegowda, Maharaja Government PU College auditorium, **10.30 am.**

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Indian 2 (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 4.05 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm
Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K)	:	11.30 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	11.40 am, 6.05 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	2.50 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	9.30 pm
Twisters (E)	:	1.20 pm, 3.20 pm, 7.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Hiranya (K)	:	6.30 pm
Darling (Te)	:	10.30 pm

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Twisters (E)	:	10.45 am, 1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.45 pm
Back Bencherz (K)	:	11.35 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	11.50 am
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	6.20 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	10 pm
Kadaloora Kanmani (K)	:	2.20 pm
Not Out (K)	:	3.30 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	5.50 pm
Hejjaru (K)	:	9.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Admissions to Govt. Residential Schools

Mysuru, July 22- Applications have been invited from the students belonging to special category for admission to class six at Morarji Desai Residential School, Kittur Rani Chennamma Residential School, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Residential School, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Residential School and Indira Gandhi Residential School in the taluk, by July 25, 2024.

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